(*c*) whether the counsels now appearing as *amicus curiae* are given any remuneration and if so, the remuneration given and the amount disbursed during the last three years *i.e.*, 1965, 1966 and 1967;

(*d*) whether legal aid is provided to the accused who are unable to engage a counsel in all places where criminal courts exist?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In Criminal appeals before the High Court where sentences of death are involved and the accused persons sentenced to death are unrepresented, Advocates to conduct such cases on behalf of such persons are being appointed by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Mysore and a fee of Rs. 50 is being paid by the Government to the Advocate so appointed.

In cases involving sentences of imprisonment for life and lesser sentences in which the accused persons are unrepresented, Advocates to conduct such cases on behalf of such persons are being deputed by the Legal Aid Society after the High Court notifies the Society. A fee of Rs. 25 is being paid by the Government to the Advocate so deputed by the Society.

In Jail appeals, at the time of admission, Advocates are appointed to act as *Amicus Curiae* on behalf of the accused persons. A fee of Rs. 25 is being paid by the Government to such Advocates.

(*c*) Yes. During 1965 to 1967 a total remuneration of Rs. 550 has been paid.

(*d*) No legal aid is provided to the accused where criminal courts exist except in Sessions Courts. Sessions Judges are empowered to sanction a fee of Rs. 20 per day subject to a maximum of Rs. 200 per case to the Standing Counsel engaged to defend persons accused of capital offences.

Polytechnic Schools in the State.

253. Sri B. DODDABORE GOWDA (Srirangapatna).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture and Education be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of polytechnic schools at present in the State;

(*b*) the amount provided for the buildings of the said schools;

(*c*) the total amount spent annually towards the said schools;

(*d*) the number of students passed from these schools every year;

(*e*) the total number of students passed up to 1967;

(*f*) the number of persons to whom they provided appointments so far?

A.—Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture and Education).—

(*a*) 31.

(*b*) Rs. 124·76 lakhs.

(*c*) Rs. 60·47 lakhs.

(*d*) 2,775 (average).

(*e*) 25,921.

(*f*) 3,149 (average).

Rural Veterinary Dispensaries

254. Sri H. D. DEVE GOWDA (Holenarasipur).—

Will the Minister for Labour, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Sericulture be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether any representation has been received requesting sanction for starting Rural Veterinary Dispensaries at Hariharapura Village in Holenarasipur Taluk and Kundur Village in Channarayapatna Taluk in Hassan District ;

(*b*) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the cattle population is suffering without the medical aid in those areas ;

(*c*) if so, whether necessary steps would be taken to sanction the Rural Veterinary Dispensaries to both the places this year ?

A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Labour, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Sericulture).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Cattle population of the area are now being served by the Hospitals closeby.

(*c*) No.

Production of gold in the State

255. Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY (Chicknaikanahally).—

Will the Minister for Finance, Planning, Commerce and Industries be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the quantum of gold produced in different gold mines of the State in the years 1964-65, 1965-66 and 1966-67 and the royalty received in each case and year ;